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One year, in advance, \$7.00.  
Six Months, " 3.50.  
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At the request of many voters and friends interested in our schools, I hereby announce myself a candidate for member of the Board of Education at the ensuing election.  
D. B. SHELLHANGER.

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

WALK IN and see the Novelty Baby Carriages at  
E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & Co.'s.  
No frost last night.  
POTATO vines look sick.  
VARIETY performances this evening.  
FESTIVAL at the tabernacle to-night by the ladies of the W. C. T. U.  
The grand jury will take a recess this evening for a week or two.  
The weather is more springy in character to-day.  
THE Decatur couplers will challenge the Moline boys again.  
THE Eldorado firemen will meet to-morrow evening.  
STRAWBERRY festival at the Presbyterian church to-night. Go.  
JUNE 5th—dollar excursion to Springfield.

Ask all first-class dealers in the city for Schroeder's Bohemian cigars.  
FRIDAY of next week will be divorce judgment day in the circuit court.  
FERGUSON & DILLEHUNT will deliver gasoline in five gallon lots. [apr20:dtf]  
The members of K. L. assembly 1773 voted last night to join in the G. A. R. parade on Memorial Day.  
THE loss by the cyclone in Austin township is estimated at \$7,000; in De Witt county at \$25,000.  
THE ushers will gladly welcome you at the opera house to-morrow night—Grace Carland in "An Unequal Match."  
PATRONIZE Pope & Bro.'s store in opera block for reliable groceries.  
THE gross receipts at the two nights' festival at the U. B. church footed up nearly \$100. There was a good turnout last evening.  
ANOTHER invoice of Wilson Bros.' Panama Shirts just received at John Irwin's White Front. P. O. block. Apr. 13-dtf  
At 9:30 a. m. to-day it was clear at Chicago, with the thermometer at 68. St. Paul cloudy, 55; and at Omaha it was raining, 57.  
DECATUR'S hold soldiers will come marching home from Dixie's land Saturday night, and the girls they left behind them will be oh! so glad to see them again.  
BUY your gasoline of Ferguson & Dillehunt, No. 13 Water St. [apr20:dtf]  
ABOUT every farmer in the northern part of the county, who has been in the city during the past week, has done little else but talk about the cyclone and its fearful ravages. They stand on the street corners and soon attract crowds of people who eagerly listen to the accounts of "those who have been there, but don't want any more of it in theirs."  
FINE family flour and superior canned goods on sale at Niedermeyer's grocery store on the mound.  
ON the fourth page of this issue will be found in full the official reports of ex-City Clerk Hardy and superintendent of streets, W. H. Shorb.  
THE Brussels carpet on the floor of the New Masonic Hall was manufactured by the Hartford Co., and can be had in Chicago. Lines & ranges offer for putting down the same make and quality was about one hundred and fifty dollars less than was paid.  
COVERING after Decatur, last evening Danville citizens met and organized a social and business club. Paris and Bloomington citizens will probably fall into line, as Decatur's action has attracted their attention.  
THE popular "Blower," hand made, clear Havana filler, five cent cigar, is made by Keck & Weigand, East Eldorado street, who also manufacture the famous "10-er" and "Keystone" cigars. feb20:dtf  
THERE was a good turnout at the Van Allen roller skate carnival at the tabernacle last night.  
THE Band of Happy Workers will give a strawberry festival in the lecture room of the Presbyterian church, Thursday evening, May 24. The young people will do all in their power to make the occasion an enjoyable one. All are cordially invited to attend. 24:dtf  
MATINEE theatrical performance at the opera house Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Prices 15 and 25 cents. The bill at night will be "Orn, the Doll Wife," with Grace Carland in the title role.  
CALL at Stoekey & Penwell's for fresh strawberries and vegetables.  
HAVE your measures taken at B. Stine's for Wilson Bros.' Shirts. 14:dtf  
STRAW hats of all styles at Fleury's the French Cutter. 16:dtf  
THE ladies of the Catholic church will give a concert, fair and festival at the tabernacle on the evenings of June 5, 6, 7 and 8. The pupils of St. Theresa's Academy, and St. Patrick's church choir, all in elegant costumes specially made for the occasion, will participate in the concert. See announcement in another column.  
BUY stylish harness at the lowest prices at J. W. Tyler's shop.  
It is estimated that the loss of property in this State by Friday night's cyclone is over \$500,000, not including the destruction of crops, which is, of course, a very large item. Many cattle were killed, and there was a great destruction of timber and orchards.  
Geo. H. Benzger, Carlyle, Ill., says: "I have sold Brown's Iron Bitters to over 125 different persons all of whom recommend it highly." 18  
Don't fail to call on C. B. Prescott before purchasing musical instruments elsewhere. His celebrated Haines Bros. pianos and Western Cottage organs are standard instruments and hard to beat.  
Don't forget  
That we display a stock of Parrots and other birds in the city. We show every kind and style, and among them some of the most elegant and choicest styles of the season.  
CHEAP STORE.  
Big 18.  
May 22-dwlv  
Wilson Bros.' Shirts made to order at B. Stine's. 14:dtf

More Evidence of Decatur's Prosperity in the Building Line.

Justice Curtis has about decided to expand \$4,000 in improving his hotel property, on the corner south of the Republican office. He is figuring on the cost of enlarging the structure, giving it a frontage on Water street of 61½ feet, and extending it westward full width, about 75 feet, leaving at the rear an archway about eight feet wide, and when finished the hotel will be 61½ by about 100 feet in size, and two stories high, with a basement under the whole house. A flat roof will be put on the hotel, which will have all the conveniences the city affords. It is Justice Curtis' purpose to use a part of the new addition for the use of himself and family, and vacate his home-stand property on the corner of William and Edward streets.  
Brick-laying on the J. W. Haworth business block, on the corner south of the Masonic Temple, has been commenced, and part of the lumber is piled up near the site of the new \$50,000 structure.  
Track laying on the east end of the Citizens' Street Railway Line is in progress, and is under good headway. The work is being done under the direction of Mr. Saxton, the contractor. One of the cars will be here next week.  
The frame of Mr. W. J. Quinlan's new residence on College Hill is up, and to-day Mr. Krentel commenced to put on the roof. The dwelling will probably be enclosed within ten days.  
Jacob Danzeisen is rushing things to open his new meat market in the old bank building next Saturday.  
Noticeable improvements have been made by Mr. Shaffer at Brewer's bakery lately. The salesroom has been enlarged and a brick addition is being erected at the rear.  
The Review was a little too previous in its statement this morning announcing a block of buildings to be built by Messrs. Burrows, Clark, Patterson and Reeser. It seems that no sale of the property had in fact been made, but everything seemed just ready to close up the bargain when one of the interested parties changed his mind and the whole business seems to have been postponed until some other good man can be found to take the place of the one who has withdrawn from the project. The plan was to put up a handsome brick block, to cost about \$25,000, on the lot south of St. John's Episcopal church, said block to include five separate dwelling houses.

Fire in a Bake Shop.

An indiscreet attack at A. O. Brewer's bakery was the cause of the fire alarm sounded last evening at about 4 o'clock. In the work-room was a two-burner gas-line stove, and one of the jets was burning while the baker lifted a can containing five gallons of fluid to fill the supply can on the stove. The net was both risky and reckless, and of course the oil caught fire. Repeated efforts were made to smother the flames which sprang up, and they were finally successful. After all danger was over somebody sounded the alarm and the firemen responded to the call. Their services were not required. Mr. Brewer says he gave explicit orders as to how the stove should be handled when he bought it, but he was absent yesterday when the attempt was made to fill the stove in the careless manner described, or the accident would not have occurred.  
Judge Greer at Clinton.  
Macon county is without a county judge to-day. He has been borrowed by DeWitt county, to sit in judgment at the hearing of a case on trial in Clinton to-day. This morning Judge Greer went to Clinton. He will probably return home this evening.  
It is believed that the corn was not seriously injured by the frost. Farmer Edwards, who examined his corn near Blue Mound this morning, says that he can see where it has grown since yesterday, and that below the top it looks green, hardy and promising.

The Graduates.

Below are the names of the young ladies and gentlemen who will graduate from the Decatur High School on Friday, June 1st:  
Everett Brown, Will Heilman, Fritz Westerman, Max Westerman, Sheridan McClelland, Lafayette Shelley, Mate Smith, Lou Race, Arthur Race, Annie Henkle, Lottie Eicholtz, Blanden Gassway, Ida Hockingberry, Hattie Abbott, Maria Buckingham, Lizzie Gustman, Christina Sanderson, Laura Mahanah, Della Dimmitt, Alice Imboden, Anna Lichtenberger, Amanda Pickrel.  
The commencement exercises will be public and will be held at the opera house commencing at 9 a. m. Alumni Reunion at night.  
CHRISTIAN GRIFF, alleged to be insane, was released from the custody of the sheriff yesterday evening, on his promise to appear in the county court on May 31st, when action will be taken to appoint a conservator for him. The parties especially interested in this case will be in Decatur on that day. There is no law compelling the sheriff to hold a person accused of insanity, unless the fact is apparent that he is dangerous. Not until a jury declares him insane, can a party be placed in confinement.  
Attention, Firemen.  
All members of Eldorado Hose Co. No. 2 are requested to meet at their hose house on Friday evening, May 25th. Special business of importance. By order of A. SHORMAKER, Capt.

Stayday Excursion.

The P. D. & E. Ry will run another excursion from Decatur to Peoria, on Sunday, May 27th. Fare only one dollar for the round trip.  
May 21-dwlv  
Greatly Reduced Prices.  
Owing to the backward season and very unreasonable weather, we have reduced all classes of Worst Dress Goods to Original Cost Price. We display a very elegant stock, embracing all the prevailing spring shades. See them.  
Big 18.  
may22-dwlv  
Mr. Thomas Brynes, Excursion Agent, whose office is in S. E. Hard & Co's store in Postoffice block, will manage three excursions to Southeastern Kansas and Southwestern Missouri, over the Wabash and K. C., Ft. Scott & Gulf roads. The trains will leave Decatur on May 1st, May 15th and May 29th. See Mr. Brynes for rates. Round trip tickets good for 40 days.  
BOMBSMANS, the florist on Cemetery street, has received from 200 to 300 new designs suitable for commencement purposes, which he is prepared to furnish to customers on short notice.  
May 19-dtd

An Explanation.

EDITORIAL REPLY:—An article in your paper of to-night's issue in regard to a row in the Wabash round house between Polanders, whereby one was hurt in the back, and the matter sifted in Justice Albert's court, and the man fined \$10.15. Now, Mr. Editor, I have this to say in reply: There was no row in the Wabash round house this morning or any other morning between Polanders or any other kind of row. Now the true substance of the matter is simply this: August Backhart, the man that was fined \$10.15 to-day, pushed a man against John Race, but did not do it on purpose, and with no malice, and thought no more about it until he was arrested. If he had thumped him or had any words with him, there might have been some excuse for Justice Albert in compelling him to pay a fine of \$10.15. It is for protection, and as law-abiding citizens we should do all in our power to assist one another and not take advantage of a poor, ignorant man and make him pay \$10.15 simply because we were not there, and are sitting on justice's bench. It is a shame and a disgrace for any man or any set of men to tolerate such proceedings, and then call it justice. No one hurt, no one pushed down, no one struck, and yet, yes, justice.  
Dispatcher Wabash Round House.  
Decatur, Ill., May 23, 1883.

County Fair Meeting.

An adjourned meeting of the county agricultural board was held this afternoon at the treasurer's office, President Willard in the chair. The report of the committee on revising the premium list, was read and accepted. Premiums are offered for a show of Follad Angus cattle. The total of premiums footed up nearly \$4,000, not including the cash premiums in the speed race. The fair will be held on Sept. 3d to 7th, inclusive. The committee appointed to solicit funds to repair the grounds, reported that no money had yet been collected.

The Ushers' Benefit.

Let it be remembered that to-morrow evening will occur the ushers' benefit entertainment at the opera house, when the celebrated play, "An Unequal Match," will be first given in Decatur by the Grace Carland dramatic combination. We shall expect to see the hall crowded. The ushers will be glad to welcome all the amusement goers whom they have served faithfully and courteously. They are entitled to a fitting testimonial of appreciation, and as the company is a good one, and the piece one which everybody has been aching to see since Mrs. Langtry and Freddie made it famous, of course there will be a packed audience in attendance. Admission, 35, 50 and 75 cts. No extra charge for reserved seats.

A Curious "Cratur."

This morning Mr. E. A. Gastman received a business note from Miss G. Anna Raymond, a teacher in the schools at Pana, who taught in the third ward school in this city last year. One part of the note reads: "Have you heard of the curious 'cratur' taken from the Pana coal mine, 120 feet under ground? It's a specimen of lizard, resembling the water dog, and is kept by Mr. Kitchell."

The Attraction To-Night.

The Reutz-Santley Burlesque Novelty troupe is in the city and will appear at the opera house to-night. The Indianapolis Journal, of the 22d, thus spoke of the entertainment:  
It began with an original first part—a drawing-room scene, in which there was some good singing, and concluded with the burlesque, "The Daughter of the Banker," in which the entire company participated. The olio included the specialties of Barney Reynolds, the comedian; Dixey and Levton, English sketch artists; Miss Lottie Elliott, a graceful skipping-rope dancer; Harrington and Johnson, song and dance men; Fred Matthews, an excellent grotesque dancer; Duth Daly, who is an artist on the concertina, and very funny withal, and the very pretty dainty songs and dances of Alice Smith and Alice Daly, who do an original "turn" very gracefully. It was an excellent variety performance throughout, and was free from that vulgarity which frequently impairs the entertainment given by such companies.  
Admission, 35, 50 and 75 cents.

W. R. Abbott is the champion fisherman of Decatur. He don't go fishing very often, nor does he have to stay very long on the verdant banks of the rushing Sangamon, thrashing the water with weary line in the attempt to lure the silly croppie or giddy sunfish from their hiding places. On the contrary, he makes quick work of the sport, and is not at all selfish with the result of his efforts. The editor's table was graced yesterday with one of his captures—a strange sort of specimen. We doubt whether the oldest fisherman of Decatur (which his name it is Peake) ever drew from the waters of our river a fish that would match this one. The recipient of this generous donation is not sufficiently versed in the nomenclature of fish to name it, nor even to describe it intelligently. It proved to be exceedingly sweet to the taste, and although a trifle tough, it melted in the month like a choice bonbon. Ask Mr. Abbott about it if you are curious; he can probably name it.

THE CIRCUIT COURT.

May Term, 1883—Judge Smith, of Champaign, Presiding.  
THURSDAY, MAY 24.  
Court convened at the usual hour.  
GRANBY DOCKET.  
Josephine Jenkinson vs. John M. Jenkinson, divorce; proof of publication.  
Samuel Owsley Wilkins vs. Henrietta E. Owsley et al., chancery. Report of Master approved.  
COMMON LAW DOCKET.  
Frank Adams vs. the Illinois Central R. Co., trespass on the case; trial by jury resumed.

The Seward Surprise.

There was quite a stir in colored society last evening, it being the occasion of a joyous celebration in honor of the 53d anniversary of the birth of Mr. Dalton Steward, the well-known veteran barber in Central block. A large company spent the evening very pleasantly at the home of Mr. Steward, on South Broadway, and partook of a splendid assortment of refreshments. Those present were: Mr. Louie Steward and Birdie Marrell, Mr. Barney Smith and Miss Nellie Steward, Mr. Robert Ernest and Fanny Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Garvan, Mr. Alfred Ernest and Carrie Steward, Mr. Washington and Mrs. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Rice, Mr. and Mrs. Isabel, Mr. Green and Mrs. Joe White, Mr. and Mrs. Bolt, Mr. Gray and Mrs. Love, Mr. and Mrs. Waller, Mr. and Mrs. Winston, Mr. and Mrs. Clavours, Mr. Howard and Mary Howard, Miss Barb Hollinger and Ada Howard, Mr. Butler and Mr. Singleton, Mr. Langford and Mr. Woodford, Mr. George Isabel.

SHELLHANGER'S Patent Process Flour retains all the nourishment contained in the wheat. None of its virtues are wasted. Try it.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. George Furry, a son.  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Reeser are thinking of removing to Pennsylvania.  
Mrs. Lou Allen Gregory was in the city yesterday, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Skillman Allen, of Harriestown.  
The Misses Jennie and Jessie Howes, of Springfield, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Buckmaster.  
A Milmine, a merchant of Kenney, is in the city to-day visiting his son, H. C. Milmine.  
Louisville Courier-Journal: "Miss Jessie Fenton, of Decatur, Ill., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Graham."  
Mr. Bramble, the official stenographer for the Illinois Central R. R. Co., is taking down the evidence in the damage case now on trial by jury in court.  
A. O. Brewer was out in a phaeton yesterday afternoon, exercising his stylish span of sorrels. They are a handsome and well matched pair of steppers.  
Henry Mueller, who was peppered in the face with pieces of lead yesterday, went to work during the afternoon. He's gritty.  
I. E. Brown, of Chicago, state Y. M. C. A. secretary, is in the city, and will remain here until Saturday. He reports that D. L. Temple will probably arrive in the city this evening. Mr. Brown hopes to be in Decatur on Commencement day.  
Mr. A. W. Brodless, traveling salesman for E. D. Bartholomew & Co., telegraphed from Shelbyville yesterday that he was confined to his bed at that place with rheumatism, and that he needed somebody to take care of him. Mrs. B. departed on the evening train yesterday for Shelbyville, and will bring her husband home if possible.  
Champaign Gazette: "Judge C. B. Smith's fine team of horses became frightened at a train of cars on the Illinois Central railroad, yesterday morning, and ran away, on University avenue. The carriage to which they were attached was badly wrecked. C. L. Smith, who was driving, escaped uninjured." These horses the Judge purchased in Decatur not long ago.

The Damage Estimated at \$32,000.

A telegram from Clinton, speaking of the efforts being made there to raise money for the relief of the cyclone sufferers, states that several hundred dollars have been raised at Clinton. The amount of the damage in Macon county is now reported to be about \$7,000, while that in De Witt county will reach \$25,000, and many of the people are left homeless and without enough to start housekeeping with. A peculiar freak of the storm is reported. The cyclone caught up thirty head of sheep belonging to Henry Zeifler, and up to date he can find only one of them, and it was lodged in a tree about thirty feet from the ground. The wounded people are getting well slowly. Garfield Clifton, whose head was crushed and thought to be fatally injured, is recovering.

A Creamery Meeting.

The farmers and citizens of Decatur and vicinity are requested to attend a meeting to be held on Saturday, the 25th day of May, at 1 p. m., at the tabernacle, for the purpose of trying to establish a creamery at this place. R. F. Smiley, of Richmond, Mo., general agent for the Southwestern Creamery Association of Iowa, will be here and address the people, explaining the profits, &c., of such an institution. All interested will please attend.  
May 19-4lv  
Strawberry Festival.  
There will be a festival, at the tabernacle, on Thursday evening of this week, under the management of the W. C. T. U. Come, all who like ice cream, strawberries and cake; all who are kindly and sociable, and all who desire to aid in temperance work.  
By order of Com.  
B. STINE takes measures for Wilson Bros.' Shirts. 14:dtf

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

Closing quotations at Wm. Keenan's Commission Rooms at Noon To-day.  
CHICAGO, May 24.  
WHEAT—\$1.13½ June; \$1.14½ July; \$1.15½ Aug.; \$1.16½ Sept.  
CORN—55½ June; 55½ July; 55½ Aug.; 55½ Sept.  
SOY. BEANS—\$1.05½ June; \$1.06½ July; \$1.07½ Aug.; \$1.08½ Sept.  
LARD—\$11.05½ June; \$11.07½ July; \$11.10 Aug.; \$11.10 Sept.  
UNION STOCK YARDS.  
HOGS—Estimated receipts, 30,000; shipments, 2,915; light hogs, \$4.75; heavy, \$4.50; mixed, \$4.50; \$1.15; heavy, \$4.30; \$4.50; cattle receipts, 7,200.  
Receipts, Shipments, Car Lots.  
WHEAT—10,837 34,875 34  
CORN—10,062 170,000 227  
OATS—53,063 41,097 173  
HFE—10,222 1,169 17

NEW YORK, May 24.  
WHEAT—\$1.20½ June; \$1.21½ July; \$1.22½ Aug.; \$1.23½ Sept.  
CORN—55½ June; 55½ July; 55½ Aug.; 55½ Sept.  
TOKYO, May 24.  
WHEAT—\$1.18½ June; \$1.19½ July; \$1.20½ Aug.; \$1.21½ Sept.  
CORN—55½ June; 55½ July; 55½ Aug.; 55½ Sept.  
OATS—45 cash.

CONCERT, Fair and Festival

Positively the Grandest Fair and Festival ever held in Decatur will be given in the TABERNACLE, by the ladies of St. Patrick's Church, on the evenings of THURSDAY, FRIDAY, and SATURDAY, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of June.  
The Festival will open Tuesday evening with a GRAND CONCERT  
—AND—  
Variety Entertainment, by the pupils of St. Theresa's Academy and St. Patrick's schools, assisted by the Choir of St. Patrick's Church.  
OVER 200 CHILDREN in Elvgen costumes, specially gotten up for the occasion, will join in the choruses and other parts. All should see and hear the little ones.  
During the Fair a large number of valuable articles will be placed on duty, including a Lady's Gold Watch, Brooches, Gold and Silver, Gold Rings, Sewing Machines, Dolls, &c., &c. There will be something for everybody.  
For the greater attraction of the fair, tables will be loaded down with all the delicacies of the season.  
The previous entertainment given by these ladies is the best guarantee that all will receive a hearty welcome and be given a peaceful, pleasant and general good time.  
Come one. Come all. Usual admission.  
May 24-dw

# NEW DRESS GOODS! NEW CARPETINGS

And a Large Variety of Fancy Goods and general merchandise of recent purchase, and just received, at very low prices.

## LINN & SCRUGGS.

AGENTS FOR BUTTERICK'S PATTERNS.  
Mr. 27, 1883-dwtf

# SOMETHING NEW!

To Please the Children.

Every purchaser of Children's Clothing will be presented with a nice little cane or whip at Fleury, the French Cutter.

**CLOTHING,**  
Merchant Tailoring,  
**HATS, CAPS,**  
Trunks,  
Gents' Furnishing Goods

ONE-PRICE  
**CLOTHING HOUSE,**  
Corner of Old Square and Main Street.  
**FLEURY,**  
The French Cutter, Manager.

Our offerings for the Spring and Summer Season 1883, comprise the

CHOICEST STYLES OF

## Foreign AND Domestic Fabrics

Many of which were made for our exclusive use.

## Elegance of Design! Perfection of Fit! Excellence of Finish!

Have established the highest reputation for our goods and consequent success to our customers, while

## OUR LOW PRICES AND FAIR TREATMENT

—HAVE MADE—

## Our House the Most Popular Clothing

—AND—

## MERCHANT TAILORING HOUSE in Decatur

Your examination of our Stock is respectfully solicited.

## Children's Wear a Specialty.

We make to order the

## Celebrated ARROW SHIRT!

Which is Excelled by None Others in the Market.

## ONE-PRICE CLOTHING HOUSE.

Corner Old Square and Main Street.

LOUIS FLEURY, Manager.

March 7, 1883-dwtf

WE HAVE JUST OPENED

# 200 PAIRS

—OF—

## NEW BRACELETS!

All the Newest Spring Styles in

### BAND, BANGLE, CHAIN

—AND—

### FANCY BRACELETS.

Remember, we can show you more Bracelets than you can find in all the other stores in town combined, and give you prices that certainly cannot be beaten.

**O. E. CURTIS & CO.,**  
Leading Jewelers.  
May 1, 1883-dwtf

## THE BEST IS THE CHEAPEST.

### The "CHAMPION MONITOR"

—AND—



Are made from the Best Iron, and by Workmen of the Highest Class.

This is sold with the guarantee that they possess many points of Convenience, Durability, Economy and general Utility, this can be found in any office file.  
CALL AND EXAMINE A COMPLETE ASSORTMENT AT  
**FERGUSON & DILLEHUNT'S.**  
NO. 13 WATER STREET.  
ALSO A COMPLETE LINE OF GENERAL HARDWARE.  
May 4-dwtdw

## THE BIG SHOE STORE,

13 EAST MAIN ST. THROUGH TO 9 WATER ST.

Headquarters for LILLY, BRACKETT & CO. and BURT & MEAR'S Celebrated SHOES. Full line always in stock. They are the dandy styles, and the finest to be had.  
**L. L. FERRISS & CO.,** DECATUR, ILLINOIS.  
July 11, 1883-dwlv

## WE ARE OPENING DAILY

THE HANDSOMEST LINE OF

# MILLINERY GOODS

Ever shown in Decatur. Also a full line of Ladies' and Children's Furnishing Goods, Muslin Underwear for ladies and children. We offer special bargains in Children's Dresses and Cloaks. My prices are as low as any house in the city. Call and see me at

No. 28, East Main Street.  
**MRS. K. EINSTEIN.**  
May 4, 1883-dwtf



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WHEN THIRSTY TO THE

White Front!

JOHN IRWIN

Has at his own expense placed within reach of all

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COME FOR

Bargains in Clothing!

The Cleanest Stock to Select from in the City.

Mothers please the boys by buying their

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A Musical Whip or Sure Pop-Gun given to our boy patrons.

In Gents' Furnishing Goods and Neckwear

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Sells Genuine Imported Underwear at the same price other dealers ask for imitations.

COME, ALL ARE WELCOME.

Open Every Evening. Closed on Sunday.

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No Change of Cars to CLEVELAND, BUFFALO, ROCHESTER, ALBANY, NEW YORK, BOSTON, and all intermediate points. Superior accommodations, and time unexcelled.

Departure of Trains at Decatur Station:

Main Line

Going East

No. 3, Through Express, 7:00 a.m.

No. 4, Atlantic Express, 12:00 p.m.

No. 5, Lightening Express, 1:30 p.m.

No. 6, Freight Accommodation, 7:00 a.m.

The following freight trains will carry passengers with tickets:

Going West

No. 3, First Class Express, 7:00 a.m.

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PEORIA, DECATUR AND EVANSVILLE RAILWAY



SHORT LINE

For Burlington, Council Bluffs, Omaha, Galena, Burlington, Rock Island, LaSalle, Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis, and all points north and northwest. Connections made at Peoria in Union Depot, for all points in Iowa, Nebraska, Minnesota and Wisconsin. The most direct route for Peoria, Chicago, St. Louis, and all points south and southwest. Through tickets to all points South, East and West, and baggage checked to destination.

GOING EAST:

Passenger

Freight

Through Freight

GOING WEST:

Passenger

Freight

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The Daily Republican.

The Conundrum Club's latest:

"Why is death like the tag attached to a dog? Because it is bound to a cur."

—New York Advertiser.

ANNUAL REPORTS.

Report of Ex-City Clerk Hardy and Supt. Shorb for 1893-3.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT.

To the Hon. Mayor and City Council of the City of Decatur.

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor to submit herewith my annual report for the fiscal year ending May 1st, 1894, showing the amount of warrants drawn upon the treasury:

STREETS AND ALLEYS.

Labor, \$7,97 04

Lumber, 2,23 22

Supplies, 1,00 57

Repairs, 1,00 57

Blacksmithing, 1,00 57

Hardware, 1,00 57

Sundries, 1,00 57

Tools, 1,00 57

Total, \$10,005 27

SIDEWALKS AND CROSSINGS.

Labor, \$7,12 22

Lumber, 2,23 22

Supplies, 1,00 57

Repairs, 1,00 57

Blacksmithing, 1,00 57

Hardware, 1,00 57

Sundries, 1,00 57

Tools, 1,00 57

Total, \$10,005 27

BRIDGES AND CULVERTS.

Labor, \$833 45

Lumber, 2,23 22

Supplies, 1,00 57

Repairs, 1,00 57

Blacksmithing, 1,00 57

Hardware, 1,00 57

Sundries, 1,00 57

Tools, 1,00 57

Total, \$1,149 49

WATER WORKS.

Salaries, \$2,900 00

Coal, 947 62

Supplies, 242 64

Repairs, 1,415 62

Blacksmithing, 1,011 50

Lumber, 1,222 38

Painting, 15 00

Freight and drayage, 43 27

Chapp & Jones Pump, \$4,000 00

Coasting pump, 1,000 00

Cast-iron water mains, \$1,000 00

Pig lead, 75 83

Valves and valves, 45 00

Valve boxes, 175 00

Valve extensions of water mains, 340 34

In addition to the above charges the above account, the Decatur City Co. has delivered 100 tons of coal at the water works, at the rate of \$1.00 per ton, cost of coal consumed at the water works, \$100 00. Total, \$14,000 00. Coal delivered to the water works and delivered to the water works, \$100 00. Total, \$14,100 00.

GAS AND GASOLINE.

Gas for street lighting, \$1,040 79

Gas for city building, 81 50

Gasoline for street lamps, 455 22

Repairs, 250 98

Lighting street lamps, 1,040 79

New lamps and burners, 319 56

Lighting street lamps, 1,040 79

Total, \$3,049 04

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Salaries, \$5,019 11

Feeding prisoners, 1,000 00

Supplies for callouses, 38 65

Repairs, 1,000 00

Labor, 54 02

Medical attendance at callouses, 16 00

Booses, 1,000 00

Drayage, 49 50

Special police, 1,000 00

Total, \$6,918 23

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Labor on pest house, 8 25

Supplies for pest house, 8 25

Medical attendance at pest house, 8 25

Vaccination of school children, 8 25

Nuisances removed, 11 25

Scavenger, 500 00

Total, \$339 04

PIRE DEPARTMENT.

Alert Hook and Ladder

Truck, \$150 00

Supplies, 75 00

Repairs, 22 44

Labor, 75 00

Palatine hose houses, 300 00

Janitors, 24 00

Janitors, 24 00

Gum coats, 17 50

Drayage, 5 00

Watermen at hose houses, 237 50

Total, \$1,347 57

GRAVEL BANK.

Labor, \$1,000 00

Blacksmithing, 1,000 00

Central Park.

Rebuilding statue, \$105 32

Grass seed, 3 00

Painting sign, 1 00

Total, \$121 04

LABORERS.

Jas. Millikin, council rooms, \$250 00

G. H. Miller, 150 00

G. Howell, City Lumber, 50 00

Yard Lot, 50 00

H. Lyons, lot 11 and 12, 100 00

W. Allen, McIntyre's & Co.'s Addition, 20 00

Total, \$475 00

LABORERS.

North St. Sower, labor, 31 44

Corro Gordo St. Sower, labor, 31 44

3rd Ward Sower, labor, 25 00

Sower pipe, 25 00

W. Prairie St. Sower, labor, 25 00

Sower pipe, 25 00

5th Ward Sower, labor, 25 00

Sower pipe, 25 00

Drayage, 10 00

Line and cement, 20 75

Total, \$270 45

SEWER SERVICE.

Labor, 9 05

Line and cement, 9 05

Coal, oil torching, 10 00

Hardware, 13 47

Drayage, 31 75

Blacksmithing, 10 00

Rubber boots, 20 25

Hub and exchange on bonds, \$5 00

Printing, 315 50

Stationery, 45 00

Licenses on sewer, 418 00

Taxes, 19 00

Court costs, 10 00

Total, \$1,170 00

CITY CLERK.

City Attorney, 588 38

Supt. of Streets, 887 40

City Engineer, 140 00

Total, \$2,615 78

CONTINGENT ACCOUNT.

Revised Statutes, \$2 00

Oil map, 2 00

Postage, 94 95

Telephone calls, 31 87

Post for contract buildings, 50 00

Janitor for year 1893, 60 00

Postage, 40 00

Labor, 134 13

Rubber boots, 14 80

Livery, 50 00

Sprinkling streets, 6 00

Sundries, 19 77

Total, \$512 17

Total disbursements by warrants, \$67,509 15

Total disbursements by warrants on the Library Fund, \$1,962 14

Bonds of 71 due 1891 bearing 10 per cent, \$35,000 00

" 75 " 1892 " 6 " 30,000 00

" 78 " 1893 " 6 " 30,000 00

Total, \$105,000 00

Outstanding demand warrants, \$55,000 00

Warrants drawn on treasury May 1893, \$5,621 52

Total, \$165,621 52

Total liabilities, \$165,621 52

RESOURCES.

Cash in hands of treasurer, \$4,854 31

Road tax for 1893, 1,973 21

Assessment for 1893 uncollected, 33,543 27

Road tax, 2,106 12

Water rents due and unpaid, 947 82

License tax, for 1893 (estimated), 8,000 00

Licenses, fees, etc., 8,000 00

Total, \$57,944 53

The Decatur City Co. has furnished, during the year